

The intersections between Human rights and the Environment from a protection standpoint

The intersections between Human rights and the Environment have been growing recently, from the recognition of a human right to a health environment, to the principles to guide business to respect human rights. From a protection standpoint these intersections are multiple and relevant as, on the one hand, they allow for generally invisible or marginalized groups and individuals to become subjects of protections' concerns (as is the the case of environmental minorities and environmentally displaced persons). And on the other hand, they assist in bringing out debates on power structures and how they can impact protection, allowing for discussions on needed systemic changes. These are the key points that will be presented in this talk.

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